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Mr. Richard Helms, Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Helms:

During the past six months, while temporarily assigned to the Weapons Systems STATINTL Evaluation Group, by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service. of your agency has distinguished himself

During this period the Weapons Systems Evaluation Group developed the War at Sea Study, an important strategic study affecting the national security of the United States. The War at Sea Study addressed the policy implications of the application of various sea options in selected geographical areas in the post-1970 period. personally contributed a vital part of the War at Sea Study by conducting a series of complex economic analyses related to the adoption of specific sea options in selected geographical areas of strategic importance. These analyses included not only a study of the economic impact of the use of sea options against a target country in the strategic area, but also an evaluation of the impact in implementing the sea option on the U.S. and her allies, and on the trading partners

In addition to preparing the economic analyses within the severe time constraints else actively contributed to the development and formulation of the conceptual and political-legal aspects of the War at Sca Study. His thorough, precise and penetrating approach to these problems contributed immeasurably to

Please accept my thanks for the outstanding services vey to him my appreciation for a job well done. I also wish to inform you that I for the Secretary of Defense Meritorious Civilian Service Award for his accomplishment and contribution.

Sincerely.

K. S. MASTERSON Vice Admiral, USN #0 11 .21

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